to indicate which of the clerks can best be discharged. The resolution does not require the expression of any opinion on that subject.

J. W. CRISFIELD.

Which was read.

Mr. Brent, of Balt. city, moved as a substitute for the reports of the majority and minority of said committee, the following:

Ordered, That on and after Monday next, no clerk, door-keeper, or other officer be entitled to compensation when absent, unless upon leave of absence granted by the convention.

Which was read.

Mr. Tuck, moved to lay said reports and substitutes on the table;

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Hicks, moved to postpone said reports and substitute until the first Monday of May next;

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Brown, moved to postpone said reports and substitute until to-morrow;

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Determined in the negative.

Mr. Chambers, of Kent, moved to amend the report of the majority committee, by adding at the end of the resolution, the following:

"And that the persons whose services are dispensed with, be allowed their per diem to Monday next, the 17th inst. "inclusive."

Mr. Hicks, moved as a substitute for said reports and substitute, the following:

Ordered, That the reports of the committee appointed to enquire into the propriety of discharging some of the clerks and doorkeepers, be recommitted to the said committee, with instructions to said committee to write the names of each committee clerk and each door-keeper, upon a separate piece of paper, and placed in a hat or box, and that the first three names drawn out be the clerks or door-keepers to be discharged.

The President ruled the substitute to be out of order.

Mr. Presstman, moved the previous question, and being seconded;

The question was put on the adoption of the amendment as offered by Mr. Chambers, of Kent, and

Determined in the affirmative.

The question was then put,

"Will the Convention accept the substitute as offered Mr. Brent, of Balt. city?"

Mr. Sappington, moved the question be taken by yeas and nays and being ordered, appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE—Messis. Blakistone, Pres't, pro tem., Dent, Hopewell, Mitchell, Wells, Weems, Sollers, Jenifer, Dashiell, Williams, Hicks, Hodson, Eccleston, Phelps, McLane, Bowie,